

OUTREACH NOTICE

USDA Forest Service Fishlake National Forest Fremont Ranger District October 15, 2016

GS-462-06 Forestry Technician (Assistant IA Module Leader)

The Position:

The Fishlake National Forest will soon be will soon begin hiring a **GS-0462-06 Forestry Technician/ Assistant IA Module Leader (SQDL)** position. This position is a permanent, part time position, with a 13/13 tour of duty.

This position will be filled using the Open Continuous Roster in USAJOBS with the following Open Continuous Roster #s: 17-FIRESPRING-HANDCREW-6G (Merit) & 17-FIRESPRING-HANDCREW-6DP (DEMO) This announcement is advertised through the USAJOBS website https://www.usajobs.gov/. You must have your application submitted by November 15, 2015 to receive consideration during the 2017 R4 Spring Fire Hire. Please be sure to specify Loa, Utah as your desired location.

The IA module works within the Central Utah Interagency Fire Organization. This position will provide daily leadership, supervision, development, training and serve as a working leader for up to three or more seasonal firefighter positions at the GS-03/04/05 level. The Assistant Module Leader reports directly to the IA Module Leader about the work, personnel, and problems encountered. The Assistant Module leader will help plan and direct the overall work and accomplishment of tasks associated with all aspects of the Wildland Fire Management. The Assistant Module Leader instructs technicians in wildland firefighting and fire program support operations. Monitors work in progress; ensures equipment and materials are available and resolves problems. The Assistant Module Leader is also responsible for leading, directing the engine and crew to fire locations, providing for crew and equipment safety.

IFPM Requirements:

This position has been identified as a Squad Leader IA Module (high complexity) position in the Interagency Fire Program Management Standard (IFPM), and is subject to selective placement factors. The minimum qualification standard for this position is: **FFT1 and S-290** (currency required). See Forest Service SPD Crosswalk, page 12, located at: http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/management/ifpm/crosswalk.pdf

This is an arduous wildland firefighting position, taking and passing the Work Capacity Test at the ARDUOUS level is a "condition of employment." The Arduous fitness (Pack) Test consists of a three (3) mile hike, within forty-five (45) minutes, while carrying a forty-five (45) pound pack. This announcement constitutes the required 30 days advanced notice for testing requirements.

FIREFIGHTER RETIREMENT COVERAGE: This is a primary/rigorous firefighter position under the provisions of 5 USC 8336(c) (CSRS) and 8412(d) (FERS).

During the selection week candidates will be given 4 hours to respond to voicemails or emails from the recommending officials. If they do not hear back they will move on to the next candidate and the candidates name will be withdrawn from the R4 Fire Hire.

For more information

For any technical questions regarding the above position, please contact: Greg Coleman, DAFMO; at 435-425-9571, or by email to: gjcoleman@fs.fed.us or Stony Nelson, IA Module Leader) at (435) 896-1092, or by email to: snelson01@fs.fed.us

The Fishlake National Forest

The Fishlake National Forest in central Utah features majestic stands of aspen encircling open mountain meadows that are lush with a diverse community of forbs and grasses. Fish Lake, from which the forest takes its name, is considered by many to be the gem of Utah. The largest natural mountain lake in the state, it offers trophy fishing and bird watching. The mountains of the Fishlake are a source of water for many of the neighboring communities and agricultural valleys in the region. Hunting, fishing and OHV use are among the most popular forms of recreation enjoyed by forest visitors. A "working forest," the Fishlake is managed for livestock grazing and timber management. In the coming years, increased interest in mineral, oil and gas reserves may extend to portions of the Fishlake National Forest.

<u> About Loa and Teasdale, Utah</u>

The Fremont River R.D. consists of the Main office in Loa and the Work center in Teasdale. The distance between them is 20 miles. Loa, the county seat of Wayne County, was established in 1878 by approximately forty families. Loa is located in a broad valley west of the Fremont River, 205 miles south of Salt Lake City and 50 miles southeast of Richfield; its elevation is approximately 7,000 feet. Loa has 3 service stations, 1 food town grocery store, 1 hardware store, 1 farm supply store, 2 restaurants, 1 drive-in, 1 motel, 1 post office, 1 bank and the county courthouse. Loa's population is around 600 people. Teasdale is a very small rural community with a population around 150 people. The only service offered in Teasdale is the Post Office; all other service is offered in the adjacent communities.

Climate and Weather

Loa and Teasdale are at 7000 feet elevation, and the climate is moderate. Snowfall does occur in winter, but rarely more than 12 inches. Average annual precipitation for Loa is about twelve inches per year. Summer temperatures are 40 to 85 degrees and winter temperatures -10 to 40.

Housing

Average housing rent is about \$450. Homes range from \$70,000 to \$250,000. Building lots range from \$20,000 to \$75,000. Government housing is not available.

Shopping

Wayne County shopping facilities includes a variety of businesses and merchants to meet most needs, including a grocery store, lumber, hardware, bank, automotive repair, motels and restaurants.

The neighboring community of Richfield, 45 miles west of Loa, offers additional shopping including grocery, furniture and clothing stores, and a Super Wal-Mart, Kmart, Sears, and JC Penney catalog sales merchant. Other facilities include a variety of restaurants/cafes, plenty of motels, gas stations, banks, credit unions, two privately owned campgrounds and many other small shops and services.

Education

The elementary school is located in Loa, middle school, and high schools are located in Bicknell. Richfield 45 miles west is home to the southern campus of Snow College and offers a variety of academic and technology classes.

Health Care

Wayne Community Health Center serves the health care needs of the people who live in, or visit Wayne County. The Clinic is staffed by a Physician full time, as well as two Physician Assistants and a Behavioral Health Therapist.

In addition to a full service pharmacy, the clinic can conduct many laboratory tests, x-rays and other diagnostic tests in-house. A health care provider is on-call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to serve your emergency health care needs. The clinic has a 3 bed emergency treatment room.

Churches

Denominations include the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, First Baptist, and Roman Catholic.

Civic and Service Organizations

Civic and service organizations include Lions Club, American Legion, Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, 4-H and scouting clubs.

Social and Cultural Events

Several cultural events occur in the summer they include Torrey Apple Days 4th of July Parade, Wayne County Fair, and Bicknell International Film Festival.

Recreation

There are numerous mountain bike, ATV, and equestrian trails and camping sites for the outdoor enthusiast. Fishing areas include Fish Lake, Forsyth Reservoir, Mill Meadows Reservoir, Lower Bowns Reservoir and many small lakes located on the Boulder and Thousand Lake Mountains. Also, winter sports including cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling. The Manti-La Sal and

Dixie National Forests lie directly adjacent to the Fishlake National Forest. Arches, Bryce, Canyon lands, Capitol Reef, and Zion National Parks are within a day's drive of Wayne County. The Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument is also nearby.

Additional Information

For more information about the area, please contact or visit the Wayne County Travel Council, 683 East Hwy 24 Torrey, Utah (435) 425-3365.

Contact Information

For additional information about the position, contact Greg Coleman at (435) 425-9571 or Stony Nelson, IA Module Leader) at (435) 896-1092.

HOW TO APPLY:

Please read the entire announcement and all the instructions before you begin. You must complete the application process and submit all required documents electronically by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on the closing date of this announcement **November 15, 2016.** Assistance is available during business hours (normally 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday).

- **Step1** Create a USAJOBS account (if you do not already have one) at www.usajobs.gov. It is recommended that as part of your profile you set up automatic email notification to be informed when the status of your application changes. If you choose not to set up this automatic notification, then you will have to log into your USAJOBS account to check on the status of your application.
- **Step 2** Create a Resume with USAJOBS or upload a Resume into your USAJOBS account. You may want to customize your resume to ensure it documents duties and accomplishments you have gained that are directly related to this position in order to verify that qualifications are met. In addition, your resume must support your responses to the online questionnaire (you may preview the online questionnaire by clicking on the link at the end of the How You Will Be Evaluated section of the job announcement).
- **Step 3** Search for job by announcements by typing in the complete OCR number in the search section under "What". You have to type in a complete OCR number that includes the G or DP on the end of the announcement number. The announcements with the G on the end are for current federal employees <u>with</u> career appointments. Example: OCRP-462-FEO(H)-7G These are the Merit Promotion announcements.

The announcement numbers with the DP on the end are for non-federal applicants to apply for. This includes <u>summer temp employees</u>. These are called the Demo announcements. Example: OCRP-462-FEO(H)-7DP In order to change between the Merit Promotion "G" and the Demo "DP" announcements you have to make sure on the left side of the page under "REFINE YOUR RESULTS" that you click on the radial button for "U.S. Citizen" if you want "Demo" or the radial button for "Federal Employees" if you a current federal employee and need the Merit Promotion announcement.

Step 4 - Click "Apply Online" and follow the prompts to complete the Occupational Questionnaire and attach any additional documents that may be required.

You can update your application or documents anytime while the announcement is open. Simply log into your USAJOBS account and click on "Application Status." Click on the position title, and then select "Update Application" to continue.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

The following documents must be submitted to constitute a complete application package. It is your responsibility to ensure that all required documents are received within the required timeframes. Our office cannot be responsible for incompatible software, illegible fax transmissions, delays in the mail service etc. Failure to submit required, legible documents will result in elimination from consideration.

- **A.** Resume that includes the following information: 1) job information for which you are applying; 2) personal information; 3) education; 4) work experience; and, 5) other qualifications (including IQCS Master Record).
- **B**. College Transcripts if education is required for meeting basic qualifications and/or you are substituting education for specialized experience. An unofficial copy is sufficient with the application, however, if selected; an official college transcript will be required.
- C. DD-214 (Member 4 Copy) and/or SF-15 Application for 10-point Veteran Preference if claiming Veterans' Preference or eligibility for appointment under the VRA, VEOA, or 30% Disabled Veterans hiring authority.
- **D**. SF-50 Notification of Personnel Action if you are a current or former Federal employee that will verify your federal status, position title, series and grade. FSA County employees must provide the most recent Notification of Personnel Action (Form SF-50-B or FSA-50) that verifies permanent status. Also provide the SF-50 that reflects the highest grade level held on a permanent basis or the full performance level of your current position, whichever is higher.
- **E**. Annual Performance Appraisal if you are a <u>current</u> Federal employee with a career appointment. Submit the most recently completed annual performance appraisal (dated within 18 months) which identifies the employee's official rating of record, signed by the supervisor, or a statement advising why the performance appraisal is unavailable. Do not submit a performance plan.
- **F**. If you are eligible for appointment based on service in the Peace Corps, Vista, Action Cooperative, or another special authority, submit proof of eligibility.

NOTE: If a document is resubmitted, it replaces the previous submission, which means the previous document is no longer available to the Human Resources Office. If you are adding to, rather than replacing a previous submission, you must upload both the old document and the new document.

Please remember to submit a copy of your IQCS Master Record when applying to any of these announcements!!!

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If you are having difficulty applying for the position through USAJobs, you may also contact: **Region 4 Fire Recruiter**: Adam Dealaman at 208-634-0378 <u>adealaman@fs.fed.us</u>/or/

Albuquerque Service Center-Human Capital Management at 877-372-7248 Option 2